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Mr. Raymond F. Williams U.S. Technology Corporation 4200 Munson St. NW Canton, OH 44718

Dear Mr. Williams:

I am responding on behalf of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Hazardous Waste Program to your letter dated August 19, 2016, (copy enclosed). This letter requested I evaluate the process of spent blasting media (SBM) generated by U.S. Technology Corporation (UST) being incorporated into concrete block manufactured by Midwest Block Co. (Midwest) and determine if the SBM is exempted from hazardous waste management laws and regulations.

Based on the information provided, I determined this use <u>does not</u> meet the legitimacy requirements for the reuse/recycling of hazardous wastes. Therefore, this process is <u>not exempt</u> from hazardous waste management laws and regulations. The SBM meeting the definition of a listed or characteristic hazardous waste must be managed as required by hazardous waste management laws and regulations.

If SBM meets the definition of a listed or characteristic hazardous waste and is used in the process you describe, UST and Midwest may be cited for violations of hazardous waste management laws and regulations.

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If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact me at (573) 751-3465, <a href="mailto:anthony.pierce@dnr.mo.gov">anthony.pierce@dnr.mo.gov</a> or by mail at the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Hazardous Waste Program, Compliance/Enforcement Section, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0176.

Sincerely,

HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM

Kathy S. Flippin

Chief

Compliance and Enforcement Section

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**Enclosures** 

c: Mr. Darryl Winegar, Midwest Block Environmental Protection Agency Region VII Environmental Protection Agency Region VI Environmental Protection Agency Region V



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August 19, 2016

Mr. Anthony Pierce Environmental Specialist Missouri Department of Natural Resources Hazardous Waste Program Compliance PO Box 176 Jefferson City, MO 65107

Dear Mr. Pierce,

U.S. Technology is seeking renewed confirmation that spent blast media (SBM), used as a substitute ingredient in the manufacture of concrete block at Midwest Block Co. is exempt from regulation as a hazardous waste.

In support of this request, we are enclosing information on:

- A. SBM equivalency to standard ingredient
- B. Benefit of SBM in block
- C. U.S. Patents on SBM in block
- D. Sylvia Lowrance analysis of topics
- E. Missouri and other states letters
- F. UST/Midwest Supply use of SBM
- G. Applied to land 40CFR266
- H. Sample Draft letter

Over 25 million concrete blocks have been made and sold using SBM as an ingredient at various companies and locations.

At the point where Midwest stopped taking material, they were using one load a week i.e.: 40,000 X50wh = 2,000,000 #/year.

SBM in block makes them denser, smoother, more water resistant, and lighter